

**CHAPTER 65                      LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION OF TANK INSTALLERS,  
REMOVERS, TESTERS AND OPERATORS**

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**6500                      GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 6500.1                      The owner or operator of each UST system shall ensure that the UST system or any component of the UST system, including the release detection system, is installed under the continuous on-site supervision of a UST System Technician who is certified in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and who is licensed to do business in the District of Columbia.
- 6500.2                      The owner or operator of each UST system that is to be permanently closed or that the type of service will change shall ensure that the UST system is abandoned or removed under the continuous on-site supervision of a UST System Technician or UST Closer Specialist who is certified in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and who is licensed to do business in the District of Columbia.
- 6500.3                      The owner or operator of each UST system to be tested for tightness shall ensure that the test is conducted under the continuous on-site supervision of a UST System Tester who is certified in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and licensed to do business in the District of Columbia.
- 6500.4                      Each business that provides services for UST system installation, upgrade, retrofit, repair or permanent closure in the District of Columbia shall be certified to perform UST activities by the Director in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and licensed to do business in the District of Columbia. A business may be certified to perform only those UST activities for which it employs a UST System Technician, UST Closer Specialist, UST System Tester who has a current valid District of Columbia certification and license for the applicable UST activity or an equivalent category.
- 6500.5                      Each person who provides his or her services for UST system installation, upgrade, retrofit, repair, or permanent closure in the District of Columbia shall be certified to perform UST system activities by the Director in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and licensed to do business in the District of Columbia.
- 6500.6                      Each business that is certified to perform UST system activities in the District of Columbia shall provide the Director with a list of employees, who are not certified as UST System Technicians, Closer Specialists or Testers, but who perform supervised on-site UST activities.

6500.7 Each certified UST System Technician, Closure Specialist and Tester shall carry the identification card or the certificate issued by the Director at all times while conducting the applicable UST activity. The identification card shall be available for inspection by the owner, operator or the Director when the technician, specialist or tester is engaged in the UST activity for which he or she is certified.

6500.8 No business may transfer the UST System certification or license issued to it by the District of Columbia.

6500.9 Within ten (10) business days after close or termination of the business, the licensee shall surrender the certification and license to the Director for cancellation.

**6501 CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES**

6501.1 The Director shall certify to perform UST System activities as set forth in §6500 in the District of Columbia, any individuals who satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) Show evidence of having satisfactory completion of a recognized training program in the UST System activity(ies) for which the applicant seeks certification;
- (b) Submission of a completed application and payment of the application fee of \$200.00 in the form of a check made payable to the D.C. Treasurer;
- (c) Possess a current OSHA certification; and
- (d) Satisfactory completion of a test upon their knowledge in the technical area in which they seek certification as well as the District's statutes and regulations pertaining to USTs.

6501.2 The Director shall certify to perform UST System activities as set forth in §6500, businesses that wish to perform UST System activities in the District of Columbia, provided they satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) Submission of a completed application and payment of the application fee of \$350.00 in the form of a check made payable to the D.C. Treasurer;
- (b) Demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Director, that the business is qualified to perform the UST System activities for which it seeks certification;
- (c) Demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Director, that the business employs at least one individual who has expertise and is certified in the District in each of the UST System activities the business will offer;
- (d) Possess a current OSHA certification; and

- (e) Possess a valid, current District of Columbia business license for the business in which certification is sought.

6501.3 The Director may recognize individuals or businesses that are certified by neighboring states and so certify, to perform UST System activities as set forth in § 6500, individuals or businesses that satisfy the requirements of this section:

- (a) Possess a current valid certification as a UST System Technician, Closer Specialist or Tester, or an equivalent certification category as determined by the Director, issued by either of the states of Virginia West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, or Pennsylvania;
- (b) Is currently in good standing in each of the states, named in §6501.3(a), for which it holds a certification;
- (c) Possess a current OSHA certification;
- (d) Possess a valid, current District of Columbia business license for the business in which certification is sought;
- (e) Demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Director, a knowledge of the provisions of this Subtitle; and
- (f) Submits a completed application form and pays an application fee of \$150.00 for individuals or \$250 for businesses.

6501.4 An applicant certified in one of the states in §6501.3(a) may be tested by the Director to verify the knowledge of the provisions of his subtitle or shall submit the following documents or information with the application for certification:

- (a) A letter or statement from the state official or office in which the individual or business is currently certified stating that the individual or business is currently in good standing in that state;
- (b) A list of additional states in which the individual or business is certified and/or licensed as a UST System Technician, Closer Specialist or Tester, or an equivalent certification category;
- (c) A copy of the current OSHA certification;
- (d) A copy of a valid, current District of Columbia business license for the business in which certification is sought; and
- (e) Submission of an application fee of \$100 for individual or \$250 for business by check or money order made payable to the D.C. Treasurer.

- (f) Evidence of possession of the District of Columbia UST regulation and its amendments

6501.5 An applicant who relies upon an out-of-state certification may only be certified in the same UST System activity, as determined by the Director, in which the out-of-state certification was received.

6501.6 The certification issued by the Director shall be valid for no more than one (1) year from date of issue. The Certification may be renewed one time for an additional one-year period for a fee of \$100 for individuals or \$150 for businesses upon presentation of the expiring certification.